UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

AMENDED GENERAL ORDER NO. 11-2

REGARDING DISCLOSURE OF AGREEMENTS BETWEEN DEBTORS AND THEIR ATTORNEYS IN CASES UNDER ALL CHAPTERS AND

REGARDING COMPENSATION OF DEBTOR'S COUNSEL IN CHAPTER 13 CASES

Effective April 22, 2011

The following requirements are being imposed pending approval of Local Bankruptcy Rules by the District Court.

- 1. IT IS ORDERED that every agreement between a debtor and an attorney for the debtor in a case under ANY CHAPTER of the Bankruptcy Code must be in the form of a written document signed by the debtor and the attorney. Agreements subject to this rule include, but are not limited to, the Court-Approved Retention Agreement as posted on the court's website, other fee or expense agreements, wage assignments, and security agreements of all kinds. Each such agreement must be attached to the statement that must be filed under Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2016(b) in all bankruptcy cases. Any agreement entered into after the filing of the statement under Rule 2016(b) must be filed as a supplement to that statement within 14 days of the date the agreement is entered into.
- 2. IT IS ORDERED that in Chapter 13 cases all requests for awards of compensation to debtor's counsel cases must include a certification that the disclosures required by paragraph 1 of this order have been made.

3. IT IS ORDERED that Flat Fees, as defined in Rule 5082-2, in Chapter 13 cases will only be awarded if the debtor and the attorney have entered into the Court-Approved Retention Agreement. Flat Fees will not be awarded if the Court-Approved Retention Agreement has been altered in any way or if the debtor and the attorney have entered into any agreement other than the Court-Approved Retention Agreement.

These requirements are effective for all cases filed after April 22, 2011.

ENTERED:

Date: April 22, 2011

CAROL A. DOYLE

Chief Judge